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Docket No.: 161-P-DAL035BUS01

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Enzo Fei and Daniele Lippi

Serial No.: 09/401,730  
Filed: September 23, 1999  
For: DEVICE FOR SECURING AT LEAST ONE  
OPTICAL FIBRE TO AN OPTICAL  
APPARATUS

Group Art Unit: 2878  
Confirmation No.: 5060  
Examiner: T. Lum

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## AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to a non-final Office Action mailed April 12, 2002, carrying a shortened statutory period of response, having been extended, which is currently set to expire on September 12, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is attached.

- Sub E3
5. (Four Times Amended) A securing device for connecting at least one optical fibre to an optical apparatus, said optical apparatus comprising at least one photo-